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*Lord make me an
instrument of peace...*



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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday - 8:00 am
Wednesday - 7:30 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sunday - 7:30 am

BAPTISMS - Preparation class
required for first time parents
and inactive Catholics.
Contact Lilly to schedule.

MARRIAGES - Couples anticipating
marriage must contact Lilly at least
6 months prior to wedding date.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Holy Family Elementary 625-3131

www/hfehays.org

Thomas More Prep-Marian 625-6577

www.tmp-m.org



MASS INTENTIONS

Sun. Sept. 5 8:00 am Children of the Parish
 Wed. Sept 8 7:30 am +Farron Leiker
 Sun. Sept 12 8:00 am +Cody Younger
 Wed. Sept 15 >>> NO MASS <<<

SERVERS

Sunday, Sep 5 Alec Gerstner & Rexton Leiker
 Sunday, Sep 12 Valerie Dome & Jacob Leiker

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, Sep 5 Jenalyn Leiker & Wendy Richmeier
 Sunday, Sep 12 Rhonda Stramel & Deacon Steve

LECTORS OFFERTORY GIFTS

Sun. Sep 5 Jeanette Pfannenstiel John & Natalie Oborny
 Sun. Sep 12 Tina Waddell John & Amy Moeder

GREETERS

Sunday, Sep 5 Tony & Diana Staley
 Sunday, Sep 12 Sid & Joanne Steinert

COLLECTION TEAM

Sunday, September 5

Jason Carter, John Moeder, Kenny Pfannenstiel, Greg Pfannenstiel

Sunday, September 12

Aaron Dome, Wilbert Gross, Tony Staley, Glenn Stramel

TRAVELING CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday, Sept 5 Jason & Rose Carter
 Sunday, Sept 12 Ernie & Lilly Binder
 Sunday, Sept 19 Tony & Patty Rohr
 Sunday, Sept 26 Mark & Dora Leiker

Tithe ~ Stewardship of Treasure

Envelopes	\$2,455.00	Seminary	\$15.00
Loose	\$404.00	Mission App.	\$5.00
Spec Don.	\$300.00		
Total	\$3,179.00		

REFLECTION FROM DEACON STEVE URBAN

Isaiah 35:4-7a
 James 2:1-5
 Mark 7:31-37

“Be strong, fear not!” The phrase “fear not” supposedly appears in the Bible 365 times. So, every day we are gently told by our God to not be afraid. In our first reading from Isaiah and in Mark’s Gospel, God is inviting us to see how a life lived in union with Him brings us peace and takes away every fear. Isaiah has this wonderful vision of the end times when God will bring healing to the blind, the deaf, the lame, and the mute. So remarkable was God’s healing that even the parched earth will be made whole. Both human persons and nature will experience God’s goodness and healing. While the Israelites longed for that day, in Mark’s Gospel, in the person of Jesus we see that reality enfolding. Jesus, the Messiah, comes to the Jewish people to bring healing and wholeness. In today’s Gospel, Jesus shows his compassion to a Gentile man by restoring his hearing and the ability to speak. The man’s ears are opened and tongue is loose, and he proclaims to all the people God’s infinite goodness and love. In the midst of our fears, possibly one for each day of the year, God opens our hearts and brings about restoration and healing.

In today’s first reading from Isaiah Chapter 35, God promises to restore his kingdom and his people after their bondage in Babylon. Even though the people have turned away from God and been unfaithful to the covenant, God in a remarkable vision promises to restore his people. Their infidelity has brought them to captivity, but God in his divine mercy will bring them back. Their hearts are afraid and their lives in turmoil, but God promises them a new beginning. In this restoration, God will wondrously heal the blind, deaf, and lame. But then God promises that streams will burst forth in the desert and rivers in the plains. Even the burning sands will bring forth water. While we can only imagine these miraculous happenings, in Mark’s Gospel, Jesus brings to reality these wondrous healings. The evangelist Mark has Jesus coming upon a Gentile deaf man. Jesus does not discriminate whether one is Jew or Gentile. His salvation is for all people. So, Jesus takes him aside, which is Mark’s way of saying there was going to be a manifestation of Jesus’ divine power. Using physical signs to reveal his power, Jesus cures the man of his deafness and speech impediment. And the people are amazed at what Jesus has accomplished. Jesus orders the healed man to not tell anyone, but the man proclaims the kingdom to all he meets.

“Fear not!” Jesus restored this man and does the same for us. He takes away all fear and brings hope and healing. In fact, the early Church took Jesus’ use of sacramentals, touching the ears and lips from today’s

Gospel, and the word *Ephphatha* and incorporated it into the baptismal rite. So, the priest or deacon, when baptizing an individual, touches the ears and mouth of the person and prays that they soon receive God's word and profess the faith. In our lives, we come to God with much brokenness and pain. Our lives are often ruled or controlled by our fears. We are often deaf to God's word and mute to speak God's praises and goodness. Yet, God wants to heal. He wants only what's best for us. God doesn't want our sins to make us slaves and keep us in fear and trepidation. Wholeness and healing are what God truly wants for us. And God gives us that healing through the sacraments, his Body the Church, and through his daily grace. Our response must be to "fear not".

~ Deacon Steve

Coffee, rolls and conversation following Mass this morning hosted by the Christian Mothers.



Seed Wheat blessing will take place Sunday, September 12th. Please place containers on Mary's altar.



Special thanks to all who donated items to the St. Joseph Food Pantry last weekend sponsored by the K of C. A total of 320 pounds of food was donated.

Christian Mothers Meeting September 19th following Mass. Also, any woman of the parish who is currently not a member, but are interested in joining, you are invited to attend this meeting for more information.

K of C Meeting, Monday, September 20th 7:00 p.m.



You may remember, the Parish acquired the Munjor School last year. It is our hope to use the building as a venue for weddings, anniversaries etc. Due to the limited parking for these types of events, the Parish Council decided to utilize the area south of the building for additional parking. Bookings are being accepted. Contact Lilly for scheduling. [Guidelines on parish webpage.](#)

Stars & Stripes Breakfast Sunday, Sept. 12, from 7:30am to noon, at the VFW. Proceeds go to the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia, Sunflower Chapter - Hays. Adults \$9.50 (\$10 at door); Children 5-12, \$4.50 (\$5 at door). Ticket contact Kevin Rupp, St. Joseph Office.

Religious Education: Classes begin Wednesday, September 15th, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Holy Cross Church, Pfeifer is hosting a Mass to commemorate the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on Sunday, Sept. 12 at 3:00 PM. Celebrants will be Bishop Vincke and Fr. Reggie Urban. Music will be provided by Trilogry. Seed wheat will be blessed. Social in the school building following the Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Mark your calendars! Bishop Vincke and the Diocese of Salina wish to honor all couples celebrating their 1st wedding Anniversary and ALL OTHER wedding anniversaries ending in 0 or 5 in 2021. Masses will be celebrated at 3:00 P.M., October 24th at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Hays; and 3:00 P.M., at St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton Church in Salina on Sunday, November 7th. Registration is available beginning September 1st online at salinadiocese.org or by calling the Family Life Office at (785) 827-8746.

Women's Spiritual Day of Reflection ~ Sat., Sept 11th 10 am – 2 pm at St. Nicholas of Myra. 9:30 Registration; 10:00 Guest Speaker, Rick Binder; 11:00 Adoration; Noon Lunch; 1:00 Guest Speaker, Rick Binder; 2:00 Closing Prayer. Hosted by Salina Diocese Council of Catholic Women.



'*The Doctor Is In*' is hosted by Dr. Ray Guarendi, who brings to the program a wealth of academic credentials and personal life experience. He deals with personal problems, family issues, and professional questions. Listeners love his fun approach and practical advice! Tune in at noon on Tuesdays-Thursdays. The call-in number is 877-573-7825.

Divine Mercy Radio's **11th Annual Appreciation Banquet** will take place at 6pm, on Sun. Sept. 12, in the Hall of Bishops, Sacred Heart Cathedral, Salina. Cost is \$60. Guest speaker, Father John Riccardo, who will be talking about What Do We Most Need Now? To purchase tickets, send your check, and your meal choice (steak or chicken) to: Divine Mercy Radio 108 E. 12th St. Hays, KS 67601 785-621-4110 >> **UPDATE:**<< The tickets for the Hays banquet are sold out. There are still tickets available for the Salina banquet.

SEPTEMBER – Think about it...some children are not in school because they are being trafficked. Once they are found, in order to be helped to become survivors and thrivers, they need proper housing -- very much lacking in the U.S. U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking (sistersagainsttrafficking.org)

CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS



Special Intentions, Mike Suppes, Chris Brull, John Dreiling, Matt Shorman, Carole Carter, Parishioners in Health Care Facilities.

Drop requests in the collection basket or let

Lilly know.

Let Lilly know when the intention can be removed.



HOLY FAMILY ELEMENTARY

Rachel Wentling, Principal
625-3131

- Sept 6 NO SCHOOL – Labor Day
- Sept 8 Early Release Day – students dismiss at 1:15pm
- Sept 13 Home & School Mtg. 7:00pm LT
- Sept 16 Fall Picture Day in uniform
TMP Homecoming Bonfire/TMP campus at dusk
- Sept 17 TMP Homecoming Parade & Football Game

HFE is also seeking enthusiastic individuals to supervise and serve children in our After School Care program. These positions run on the school year calendar and are scheduled 3-6 pm each day school is in session. Interested individuals should contact the school office for applications.

The St. Nicholas of Myra Knights of Columbus Annual Steak Dinner, on Sat, Sept. 25, social hour at 6pm, dinner at 6:45pm. Menu: Ribeye Steak (10-12oz.), or Honey Pecan Chicken with baked potato, vegetable, bread, salad, and dessert. \$20 per ticket. Take-out orders available. Contact Glenn Gabel-628-2120 or Kyle Normandin 623-0580

Knights of Columbus Cash Raffle Sept. 25th:

1 in 20 chance, \$50 donation – winner \$500

\$100 donation – winner \$1,000

For ticket information contact Justin Baalman at 635-3777



THOMAS MORE PREP- MARIAN

Chad Meitner, Principal
Bob Leikam, Jr. High Assistant Principal
625-6577

Perpetual Adoration Chapel Notice: Please consider and pray to commit to one hour of Adoration or be a substitute for those who have an hour. Please contact the Archangels. Bob & Carol Feauto (12:00am to 6:00am) 628-1429 Lorraine Brungardt (6:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.) 625-3021 Yvonne Demuth (12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.) 259-0650 Geri Rupp (6:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.) 639-5588 3 **HOURS OPEN: Saturday 12:00 PM Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 10:00 AM**

A Family Perspectiveby Bud Ozar

Because the deaf man in today's gospel recognized his disability, he could seek help from Jesus. Deafness abounds in families: in our children ("Oh dad, not that again") in parents ("It is just a stage") and in spouses ("Are you listening?"). Before Jesus can enter your home and heal, you must first recognize your deafness.

- Mon. Sept. 6: Labor Day No School
- Tues. Sept. 7: 10am - (HS) JV Golf @ Goodland
11am - (HS) V Soccer @ Maize
1pm - (HS) V Golf @ Hesston
4:30 pm - (HS) JV Football vs Phillipsburg
5 pm - (HS) JV/V Volleyball @ Trego
- Wed. Sept. 8: Early Release
5pm - HS & JH Cheer Practice
- Thurs. Sept. 9: 3pm - (HS) JV Golf at Cimarron
4 pm - (HS) V Soccer at Maize South
4:30pm - (JH) Volleyball vs Phillipsburg
4:30pm - (JH) Football vs Phillipsburg
7pm - Pop Singers Rehearsal
- Fri. Sept. 10: 7pm - (HS) V Football at Russell

Job Openings! TMP-M currently has 1 job position open. We need a full-time custodian/maintenance person. Please contact school (625-6577) for more information.

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Mission Statement:

St. Francis of Assisi Parish is built on a foundation of faith. We continue that spirit by welcoming all people to participate in our spiritual growth. As we are called to love God and and be examples of his teachings, we strive for unity through fellowship and participation in all areas of the Catholic faith.